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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of:)	
David W. Vos et al.) Group Art Unit: 3745	
Application No.: 10/051,304) Examiner: C. Verdier	
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For:	OPTIMIZATION METHOD FOR POWER GENERATION SYSTEMS)	
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STATUS INQUIRY

Applicants filed the above-identified application on January 22, 2002, and Applicants have not yet received an Office Action on the merits for this application.

In view of these circumstances, Applicants' undersigned representative respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by Applicants is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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